

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the Interview on September 17, 2007. Pursuant to the undersigned's conference with the Examiner, we understood that the rejection of claim 25 was a typographical error and that the rejected claims are 1-24 and that claims 25-26 are objected to. Applicant has amended the claims as shown and now believe they are in good form and in condition for allowance.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 33 as it depended from itself. Applicant has amended claim 33 as shown to depend from claim 32 and believes claim 33 is now in good form.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 21 and 23 for insufficient antecedent basis. Applicant has amended these claims as shown to identify correct dependencies and believes they are now in good form.

On page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 25-26 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fecht et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,705,538).

On page 3 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 11-13, 29-30 and 35-36 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fecht et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,705,538). Applicant has cancelled claims 1-4, 11-13, 28, 29-30 and 35-36.

On page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 5-7 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fecht et al. (U.S. Patent 6,705,538) in view of Srinath et al. (U.S. Patent 6,497,375). Applicant has cancelled claims 5-7.

On page 5 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claims 8-10, 14-20, 22, 25, 26, 27 and 31-34 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims and overcoming any informalities. Applicant has rewritten these claims and fixed any informalities and now believe they are in good form and in condition for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested.

For all the foregoing reasons and in view of the claims as now presented, Applicant believes this case is now in condition for allowance and such allowance is respectfully requested.


The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1287. Applicants hereby provide a general request for any extension of time which may be required at any time during the prosecution of the application. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which have not been previously paid for by check and which are required during the prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-1287. (Should Deposit Account No. 50-1287 be deficient, please charge any further deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 10-0220).

Applicant invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned via telephone with any questions or comments regarding this case.

Favorable action on the merits of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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